REMARKS

Claims 1, 2, 5-7, 9, 10, and 13-23 are pending in the Application. Claims 3, 4, 8, 11, 12, and 24-60 are canceled. Claims 1, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10 and 17 are amended without prejudice and without conceding to the Examiner's characterizations. Reconsideration of the present Application is respectfully requested.

The Examiner stated in the Advisory Action that, "claims 1, 2, 5-7, 9-10, and 14-23 as proposed would be allowable because the benefit resided in the claims are unexpected and significant as evidenced by the two declarations." We believe that the Examiner also intended to include claim 13 (but made a typographical error) as allowable because it is merely narrower than claim 1. Therefore, Applicant has amended the claims, as directed by the Examiner, to place the application in condition for allowance.

CONCLUSION

Applicant respectfully submits that the application is in condition for allowance. Applicant does not believe any additional fee is required for this Amendment and Request for Reconsideration, however, in the event any additional fee is required or any overpayment credit is due, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 18-0586.

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